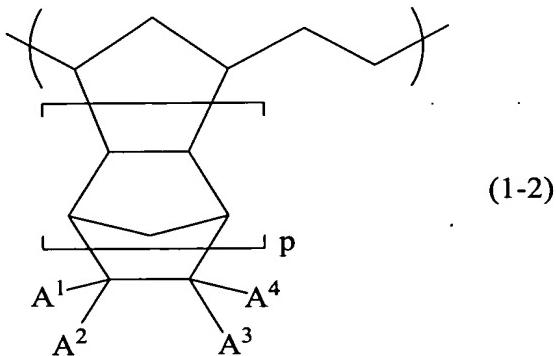
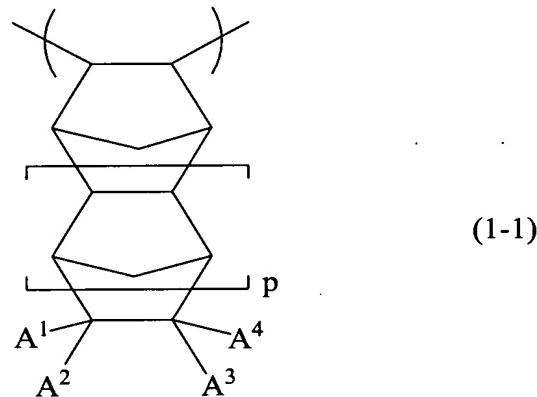


Please amend the claims as follows:

Claims 1-8 (Canceled).

Claim 9 (New): A method for treatment of a film or sheet, which is characterized by bringing a film or sheet containing a cyclic olefin based polymer or an aromatic polymer having a sulfonic group into contact with a gas comprising a superheated water vapor.

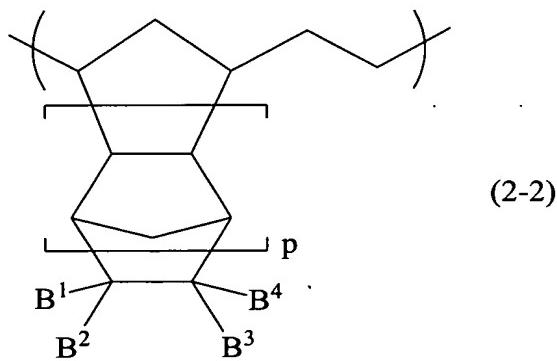
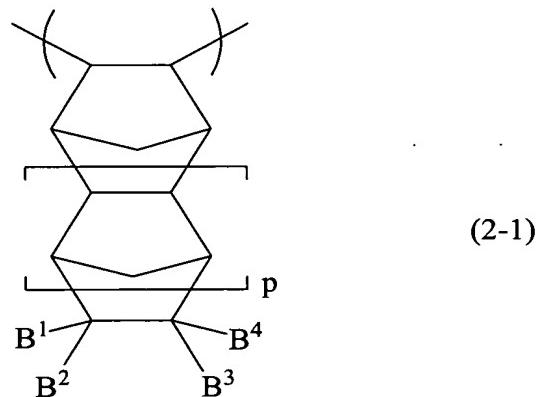
Claim 10 (New): The method for treatment of a film or sheet according to claim 9, wherein the cyclic olefin based polymer is a cyclic olefin based polymer comprising a structural unit (a) represented by the following formula (1-1) or a structural unit (b) represented by the following formula (1-2):



wherein, in the formulae (1-1) and (1-2), A¹ to A⁴ each independently represents a hydrogen atom, a halogen atom, an alkyl group having from 1 to 20 carbon atoms, a

halogenated alkyl group, an aryl group, an alkoxy group, an alkoxycarbonyl group, or a cycloalkyl group having from 4 to 15 carbon atoms; A¹ to A⁴ comprise an alkylene group, a carboimido group, and an ester group as formed from A¹ and A², A¹ and A³, or A² and A⁴; p represents an integer of from 0 to 2.

Claim 11 (New): The method for treatment of a film or sheet according to claim 9, wherein the cyclic olefin based polymer is a cyclic olefin based polymer comprising the structural unit (a) according to claim 3 and a structural unit (c) represented by the following formula (2-1), or comprising the structural unit (b) according to claim 3 and a structural unit (d) represented by the following formula (2-2):



wherein, in the formulae (2-1) and (2-2), B¹ to B⁴ each independently represents a hydrogen atom, a halogen atom, an alkyl group having from 1 to 20 carbon atoms, a halogenated alkyl group, an aryl group, an alkoxy group, an alkoxycarbonyl group, a cycloalkyl group having from 4 to 15 carbon atoms, or a hydrolyzable silyl group, and at least

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one of B¹ to B⁴ represents a hydrolyzable silyl group; B¹ to B⁴ comprise an alkylene group formed from B¹ and B³, or B² and B⁴; and q represents an integer of from 0 to 2.

Claim 12 (New): The method for treatment of a film or sheet according to claim 11, wherein a compound capable of generating an acid at the treatment temperature is used simultaneously.

Claim 13 (New): The method for treatment of a film or sheet according to claim 9, wherein the gas comprising a superheated water vapor has a temperature of from 100 to 300 °C and a pressure of from 0.001 to 0.5 MPa.